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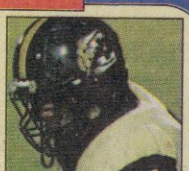
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## Elba's interim police chief rescinds job resignation

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba still has an interim police chief while city officials continue to accept applications for the position of Chief of Police.

Last week, it was reported that interim chief Shayne Arnett had turned in his resignation with the Elba Police Department to accept a job with another law enforcement agency. His last day at Elba was to be Friday, Oct. 15. However, on Friday, Oct. 15, Arnett rescinded that resignation, according to Mayor Tom

Maddox.

Arnett remains the Interim Chief of Police for the City of Elba at this time. It is unknown if he plans to apply for the Chief of Police position vacated recently when Leslie Hussey resigned from the job.

Applications for the Chief of Police position will be accepted until end of business on Friday, Oct. 29, 2021. The chief of police is an appointed position by the Elba City Council. Applications are available at Elba City Hall.



**ELBA MAN DIES IN TWO-VEHICLE CRASH IN COFFEE COUNTY...**Emergency personnel responded Thursday morning, Oct. 14, to the scene of a two-vehicle automobile wreck on County Road 376 that claimed the life of an Elba man. Alabama State Troopers investigated the wreck, and said the accident happened at approximately 8:55 a.m. last Thursday morning when a 2014 Jeep Cherokee [pictured above in the center of the roadway], driven by Robin Taylor Fleming, age 50, of Andalusia, Ala., crossed the center line of the road and collided with a 1993 Chevrolet S-10 truck, being driven by John Ira Folmer, age 66, of Elba. Folmer was pronounced dead at the scene. The wreck was approximately eight miles east of the Elba City Limits on Coffee County Road 376. Also responding to the scene were members of the Coffee County Sheriff's Office, Elba Volunteer Fire Department, and Enterprise Rescue. No further details were released by Troopers regarding this fatal accident.



Miranda Russell was affirmed to the Elba City Board of Education last Thursday, Oct. 14th. She recently was appointed by the Elba City Council to fill the board seat vacated by longtime board member Gladys Yelverton.

## Elba BOE accepts resignation of high school secretary in special meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba City Board of Education met Thursday, Oct. 14, in a special called meeting, and on the agenda was the resignation of the high school secretary.

Superintendent Chris Moseley said he had received a resignation from Pope resigning her position as secretary at the Elba High School office. He recommended the board accept that resignation.

A motion was passed unanimously by the board to accept Pope's resignation.

Pope was placed on administrative leave from the job on Sept. 23rd after school leaders became aware of an investigation into alleged criminal activity by her. She was arrested Tuesday, Oct. 12, and charged with a "school employee engaging in a sex act with a student under the age of 19." That is a felony charge.

Also, during the called meeting, the board welcomed new member Miranda Russell to her recently appointed seat. She was appointed by the Elba City Council to fill the unexpired term of longtime board member Gladys Yelverton, who resigned the post.

### NOTICE:

The regularly scheduled board meetings for the Elba City School Board will be held on the following dates:

Tuesday, Nov. 16  
December Meeting is "To Be Announced" but this meeting could be cancelled due to the holidays

The meetings are held at the Elba City Schools Central Office on the school campus at 5:30 p.m. unless otherwise announced.

Board president DeAnn Grantham read an affirmation document for Russell. At the conclusion of the reading, Russell affirmed she would accept the duties placed upon her to be a member of the Elba Board of Education.

She was welcomed to the board by her fellow members and the superintendent.

The board was scheduled to conduct its regular monthly meeting Tuesday evening, Oct. 19, of this week; however, that meeting had not concluded as of press time this week. Look for details from that regular meeting in next week's edition of The Elba Clipper.



**TWO INJURED; ONE AIR LIFTED FROM WRECK SCENE MONDAY MORNING...**The intersection of U.S. Highway 84 and Alabama Highway 141 claimed two more vehicles Monday morning, Oct. 18, when an accident was reported just after 7 a.m. Upon arrival on scene, emergency responders found that a 2011 Mercedes SUV and a 2017 Ford Taurus had collided. The Mercedes came to a stop off the roadway while the Ford was in the middle of the roadway's median. It appeared the driver of the Mercedes



was traveling on Hwy 141 and pulled into oncoming traffic, in which the Ford was traveling, thus causing the collision. Both drivers were injured in the accident. The driver of the Mercedes was air lifted from the scene, and the driver of the Ford was transported to an area hospital by ambulance. No further details had been made available by Alabama State Troopers as of press time this week.



**ELBA COMMUNITY BONFIRE...**A community bonfire was held last Thursday evening, Oct. 14, in the grassy lot next to Tiger Town Park in downtown Elba. A large crowd was in attendance to "cheer on" the Elba Tigers football team, cheerleaders, and band. Above, Elba band danceline member Keelie Moseley dances to the Elba High School "Fight Song" while the bonfire blazes in the background.



## Pea River Marching Band Contest comes to Elba on Saturday

Music will fill the air Saturday, Oct. 23, in Elba as the Elba Marching Tiger Band program hosts its annual Pea River Marching Band Classic contest at Tiger Stadium on the Elba City Schools campus.

This year, the marching band contest brings 10 competing bands to the City of Elba. Also, there will be two exhibition bands performing, the Ram Corp from the University of Mobile [performs at 4:15 p.m.] and contest hosts the Elba Marching Tiger Band [performs at 8 p.m.]

The competition schedule is as follows:

Abbeville performs at 1:40 p.m.  
Kinston performs at 2

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## Coffee County EMA director reports continued decrease in COVID cases

Coffee County EMA officials noted Friday, Oct. 15, that COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations had continued to decrease over the last two weeks in Coffee County.

"Our positivity rate has also dropped with Coffee County now rated at a 'substantial' [rather than 'high'] community transmission rate on the ADPH surveillance dashboard," said Coffee County EMA director James Brown last Friday.

He said two weeks prior that Alabama was averaging about 1,000 new cases per day, according to ADPH NAAT test numbers, but as of last Friday, that average had dropped to 583 per day throughout the state.

"This is a drop of more than 40 percent per day from our last report on Oct. 1st," Brown said. "In Coffee County, our numbers show 26 positive NAAT tests in a seven-day period or a little less than four per day."

As of Friday, Oct. 15, Brown said the positivity rate in Coffee County was 8.6 percent for the COVID virus.

"Again, we would ideal-

ly like this below five percent, but our rate has had a sharp drop over the last month," he said.

Hospitalizations and deaths continue to be the main concern, but Brown said that is showing better numbers too with a significant decrease in hospitalizations going from 1,321 cases in Alabama hospitals on the 30th of September to 793 cases on Oct. 15th.

"The rate of climb on deaths also has slowed significantly though it can take several weeks to process cause of death," Brown said. "On Sept. 30th, we showed 182 total deaths in the county. That number increased by six over the last two weeks leaving us with a total of 188 deaths due to COVID [in Coffee County] since the beginning of this pandemic."

Brown further noted that the COVID vaccination rate had seen only a slight increase over the past few weeks. As of Friday, Oct. 15, he said 39.89 percent of the county's eligible population had completed at least one dose of the vaccine while 33.43 percent had completed the dosage series.

## Area Happenings

**THE ELBA CITY COUNCIL** will meet Monday evening, Oct. 25, at 5:30 p.m. for its regular bimonthly meeting. Following the Elba City Council meeting, the Elba Water and Electric Board will conduct its monthly meeting. Both meetings will be held at Elba City Hall. The meetings are open to the public.

**THE DAY WIREGRASS CHAPTER 22**, located in New Brockton, Ala., will conduct its October meeting on Thursday, Oct. 28, at 6 p.m. at the New Brockton Senior Center. Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish. All active-duty military and veterans are invited. For further information contact Charles Lobdell at 334-718-5707 or Mike Doran at 334-406-6700.



## EDITORIAL

## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

*"There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work, and learning from failure."* - Colin Powell

Another @%\$% automobile wreck at the intersection of U.S. 84 and HWY 141, West of Elba. These happen so often the real news is a week when there happens to be no wrecks at this intersection! It has been bad enough ever since the 4-laning of Hwy 84 was completed but with the detouring of Hwy 331 around Opp onto this route, the wrecks seem to have become more frequent and more intense. The Alabama highway department reportedly has all sorts of excuses for not doing something to reduce these events, but frankly we consider them just that . . . excuses! There are several options at their disposal, and this shouldn't continually include shrugging their shoulders and going back to the coffee pot for a refill. They have engineers on the payroll who should be trained in remedies for the dangers at this type intersection. Several of the comments we hear from drivers involved in these all too frequent wrecks include - not realizing Hwy 84 is a divided highway; thinking it is a 4-way stop intersection; blaming the driver on Hwy 84 for speeding; the list goes on and on. However, the bottom line is nothing changes and these wrecks continue. Will it take some important person getting killed - or God forbid a school bus loaded with children involved - before something positive is done? We see their blood, their tears, their mangled bodies, and feel their pain, we photograph the damaged cars and again ask why? No person in Alabama should quietly accept the ongoing do-nothing statue of improving the safety conditions at this intersection.

Shortages are nothing new these days. Therefore, we warn you that if you plan on a Butterball turkey for Thanksgiving it might be a good idea to get it now! The company announced last Friday the recall of 14,000 pounds of turkeys. That is a bunch of gobblers!!

Redistricting is coming . . . but when? The state has a committee working feverishly to present a plan that will be acceptable to the Alabama legislature and meet the 'equal' number standards. Whatever plan they present in the next week or so will please some and offend others. It is not unheard of for the districts to be drawn to benefit a particular political party, establish 'safe' racial districts, etc. When we see the end results it will be anyone's guess which political or social faction is pleased and just who is upset.

Those who remember Charles Schulz's comic strip "Peanuts" know that Charlie Brown would routinely go up to the football, being held for him on the tee, only to have it snatched away just before his foot got to the ball. This happened year in and year out. That is except on September 12th, 1956 he actually kicked the ball! The last panel was the dog's (we forget his name) ears standing straight up and the words over him were "Now, that sure was a dirty trick!" Now you know 'the rest of the story.'

A group in California has begun training high school seniors as truck drivers, with enough training to pass the CDL driving test. This will help the shortage of over-the-road truck drivers and is a great deal for these young folks - that is if companies can find an insurance company that will insure them!

We belong to the group who admired the late General Colin Powell and are saddened by his death.

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## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, October 12, 2021, and Monday, October 18, 2021, conducted the following activity:

**Tuesday, Oct. 12** - Assault reported at 20500 Hwy 189 (9:09 a.m.); Theft by deception reported to the Elba Police Dept (10:24 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 976 Morrow Ave (8:00 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 120 Old Samson Rd (11:39 p.m.).

**Wednesday, Oct. 13** - Suspicious person reported at 702 Newton St (7:03 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at 14107 Hwy 84 (12:03 p.m.); Theft of property reported at 6108 County Rd 364 (1:22 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 1154 Morrow Ave (2:09 p.m.); Harassing communications reported at 429 Plant Ave (5:25 p.m.); Burglary reported at 144 Hwy 203 (7:11 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at 1397 E Davis St (8:21 p.m.).

**Thursday, Oct. 14** - Traffic accident reported at 20404 Hwy 87 (12:10 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 475 Smith Ave - w/ animal impound (7:24 a.m.); Traffic accident reported on County Rd 376 (8:54 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 990 Hwy 203 (2:20 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 120 Old Samson Rd (8:10 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 200 Buford St - investigative stop made (10:25 p.m.); Suspicious person reported in area of Collier and Buford streets - an investigative stop made (10:37 p.m.). There were five traffic stops on this date resulting in one verbal warning, one no action taken, and three written warnings.

**Friday, Oct. 15** - Trespassing reported at 1005 Neil Grantham Dr - an arrest was made (6:54 a.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 (10:44 a.m.); Animal complaint reported 108 Mohegan Dr (3:39 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported to the Elba Police Dept (5:01 p.m.); Harassment reported at 1618 County Rd 249 (7:07 p.m.); Man with a gun reported at 343 Brunson Circle (8:13 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1509 Sequoia Dr (8:26 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 1157 Morrow Ave (11:17 p.m.). There were three traffic stops on this date resulting in one citation, and two written warnings.

**Saturday, Oct. 16** - Fire service call at 1105 Guyton St (2:48 a.m.); Traffic accident reported on E Davis St - an arrest was made (3:54 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 482 N Claxton Ave (5:25 a.m.);

Burglary reported at 274 N Claxton Ave (8:59 a.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 709 Kennedy Dr (11:15 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at 911 Farris Ave (7:25 p.m.); Harassment reported at 1123 Deal St (8:12 p.m.).

**Sunday, Oct. 17** - Theft of property reported at 1157 Morrow Ave (4:13 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 707 Kennedy Dr (6:40 a.m.); Disturbance reported at 342 Brunson Circle (10:03 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1056 Neil Grantham Dr (10:18 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 529 N Claxton Ave (1:33 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 509 N Claxton Ave (6:47 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 W - citation issued (10:06 p.m.). There were five traffic stops on this date resulting in three written warnings, one arrest, and one assistance rendered.

**Monday, Oct. 18** - Traffic accident reported at the intersection of Hwy 84 and Hwy 141 (7:12 a.m.); Trespassing reported at 1495 Reese Ave (11:24 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at Highland Dr and Cherokee (3:58 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 813 N Claxton Ave (4:29 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 997 Winston Ave (5:19 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 431 E Davis St (8:21 p.m.). There were two traffic stops on this date with both resulting in citations.

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Cuzin Lou Lou's  
Tales from Yonder

Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Cuzin Lou Lou and Sister took note last Saturday night of how fans acted at a University of Tennessee football game, and the two sisters, for once, were in agreement. Lou Lou said those folks deciding it was 'okay' to throw water bottles, mustard bottles, golf balls, and whatever else onto the field simply because they did not like a ruling by the officials obviously didn't have the rearing she and Sister got from Mama and Papa! Sister concurred!!

Mama, more so that Papa [because she was the disciplinarian in the family], helped Lou Lou and Sister realize at a young age that it was never 'okay' to litter or react to things in such a disgraceful manner. If Mama had been in charge at that football stadium last Saturday night, none of those caught littering

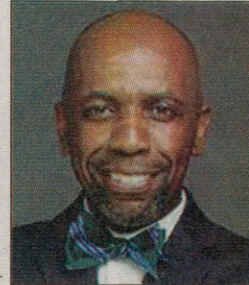
would have been able to leave until every little piece of trash was picked up and placed in the garbage. Further, Mama would have explained to those throwing the trash [and other items] that they were not true fans of the college nor the sport. If they were true fans, they never would have stooped to such a low level.

What an embarrassing night for that college football team as their fan base acted like they had no Southern upbringing at all. Lou Lou bets there were several "Mamas" out there that night ready to tan some hides for that mess.

Lou Lou and Sister get into some pretty interesting adventures from time to time, but acting like those Tennessee fans will never be something they are accused of any day soon.

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

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# Obituaries

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## BEVERLY JEAN LEARY

Ms. Beverly Jean Leary, age 77, of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021, at Elba Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

In accordance with her wishes, no formal services will be held. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba is serving the Leary family.

Survivors include her daughter: Allyson Modica (Johnathan Laukitis), Woodbury, Conn.; sons: Patrick (Natalie) Leary, Baton Rouge, La., Jim (Michelle) Leary, Hortense, Ga., and Chris (Deana) Leary, of Ohio; brother: David (Lisa) Wildburger, Mobile, Ala.

## EARL ROGERS ELLIOTT

Mr. Earl Rogers Elliott, age 78, of Elba, Ala., died Friday, Oct. 15, 2021, at his home in Elba.

Funeral services were held Oct. 17, 2021 from Whitewater Baptist Church with Rev. Tommy Green and Rev. Bruce Williams and officiating. Burial followed in the Hillcrest Memorial Gardens cemetery in Elba with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mr. Elliott was preceded in death by his wife - Elizabeth Elliott, father - William Frank Elliott, mother - Matilda Marie Elliott, sisters -

Lois Elliott Gregory and Joyce Elliott, and brother - William Emory Elliott.

Survivors include his daughter: Shannon Elliott Shepherd, and son-in-law: Rick Shepherd, Birmingham, Ala.; granddaughter: Anna Shepherd Beatty (Andrew), Chelsea, Ala.; grandson: Will Shepherd, Nashville, Tenn.; sister: Jean Buchanan, Sylva, N.C.; and special friend: Vonnie Sullivan, Elba.

## MARY JUANITA FLOWERS

Mrs. Mary Juanita Flowers, age 81, of Elba, Ala., died Friday morning, Oct. 15, 2021, in an Enterprise hospital.

Funeral services were held Oct. 17, 2021 at Zion Chapel Baptist Church with Rev. Steve Watson officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the Zion Chapel Baptist Church Perpetual Care Cemetery Fund, 27057 Hwy 87, Elba, AL, 36323. Survivors include her son: Wade Flowers (Cindy), Elba; daughter: Brenda Smith (Ken), Wetumpka, Ala.; sister: Judi Stinson (Billy), Enterprise, Ala.; granddaughters: Jaymee Flowers, and Kelli Rudolph, both of Elba, Tori O'Neal, Huntsville, Ala., great-granddaughter: Nova Rudolph, Elba; and great-grandson: Apollo Rudolph, Elba.

## STEVENS L. NOLIN

Reverend Stevens L. Nolin, age 94, of New Brockton, Ala., died peacefully Friday, Oct. 15, 2021, into the presence of his Lord. He was at home, surrounded by loving family.

He was buried Oct. 17, 2021 at Mt. Zion Church cemetery.

He was born in 1927 in Graceville, Fla., to Hulton and Ethel Nolin. He finished his schooling early so that he could enter the Army near the end of WWII. After the war he came back home, and soon answered God's call to ministry and missions.

At Southeastern University he met and later married Mary Miller, of Sarasota, Fla. on June 1, 1952. He ministered in Singapore for 14 years. He and Mary returned to his home in south Alabama and he soon stepped in to pastor New Brockton First Assembly of God Church. In his later retirement years, he and his wife again responded to God's leading, moving to Hong Kong and establishing a church named Lighthouse.

Survivors include his wife of 69 years: Mary Miller Nolin; and his children: Rebecca (Keith) Freitag, Pulaski, Tenn., Jennifer Nolin of Hong Kong, and Philip (Angie) Nolin, New Brockton.

Donations may be made to Great Commission Ministries, 19318 Hwy 167, New Brockton, AL 36351.

## MARY ANN WEATHERINGTON

Ms. Mary Ann Weatherington, age 69, of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021, at Dale Medical Center in Ozark, Ala.

In accordance with her wishes, no formal services will be held at this time. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba is serving the Weatherington family.

## EDNA SMART

Mrs. Edna Smart, age 87, of Orange Park, Fla., formerly of Elba, Ala., died Thursday, Oct. 14, 2021, at Vision Manor in Orange, Park.

Graveside services were held Oct. 16, 2021 at Evergreen Cemetery of Elba with Rev. Dwight Johnson officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requested memorial contributions be made to the First Assembly of God Church of Elba, AL, 1320 Highland Drive, Elba, AL 36323.

Mrs. Smart was preceded in death by her husband - Paul Smart, parents - John David and Ollie Kelley Thames, along with her son - Larry Smart.

Survivors include her daughter-in-law: Sandra Smart, and granddaughters: Misty (Nathan) Crider both of Orange Park, Fla.



## Coffee County Probate Judge speaks at Sept. 28th Elba Lions Club meeting

The Elba Lions Club met Tuesday, Sept. 28, at the National Security Conference Center, and guest speaker was Coffee County Probate Judge Jodee R. Thompson.

After Judge Thompson shared her background and education credentials, she described some of the duties of a county probate judge.

As Judge of Probate, she is the Chief Election Officer of Coffee County. She serves, along with the Coffee County Sheriff and Circuit Court Clerk, as chairperson of the boards which oversee the election process. She appoints all the local election officials.

Judge Thompson encouraged the members present to vote in all elections and reminded them the next primary election will be May 24, 2022; a runoff, if necessary, will be June 21, 2022; and the general election will be Nov. 8, 2022.

Another of Judge Thompson's responsibilities involved car tags. Everyone who has ever owned a vehicle in Coffee County has possibly had experience with either buying a tag or changing a title on a vehicle. Judge Thompson attributes the ease of the processes with capable staff in place in both the Elba and Enterprise offices.

Judge Thompson encouraged all Lions Club members to have a viable power of attorney. COVID has made this almost a necessity. If a person is physically unable to take care of finances, as well as other important decisions, this document will give an individual's person of choice the responsibility over these matters. She also encouraged everyone to have a Will. Without one, an individual has no control over what happens to his assets or debts after his death.

Judge Thompson made the attendees aware that the probate court also oversees adoptions and involuntary commitments. She asked

members to contact their representatives to encourage them to allocate more funds for mental health. She said there are never enough resources for the many cases being heard.

Judge Thompson ended her presentation by saying, "Being the probate judge is the best job I have ever had."

Club president Leo Brown recognized two other guests, Barbara Cole and Ted Roberts. Following this recognition, a business session was held, and Kay Mack was elected to serve as vice president.

Recognition also was given for some donations made recently. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 26th.

## BAND

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p.m.  
Zion Chapel performs at 2:20 p.m.  
Samson performs at 2:40 p.m.  
Straughn performs at 3 p.m.  
Ashford performs at 3:20 p.m.  
New Brockton performs at 3:40 p.m.  
Rehobeth performs at 6:30 p.m.  
Milton performs at 7 p.m.  
Crestview performs at 7:30 p.m.

The awards ceremony is set to begin at 8:30 p.m., following the exhibition performance by the Elba Marching Tigers.

"We want to go ahead and thank everyone who has played a part in making this contest a success for our band program," said Shaun Hammonds, director of bands for Elba High School. "There are a lot of moving parts to this, and the people of our community always answer the call. From donations to volunteering, and everything in between, we thank everyone."

Admission is \$7 for spectators. Small children [under school-age] will be admitted free. There will be full concessions available.

## Zion Chapel Bass Team members perform well on Lay Lake

The Zion Chapel Bass Team's second tournament for their third season was productive for all the teams. They fished Lay Lake, located 35 minutes south of Birmingham, which was familiar territory for some of the team members but totally new for others.

Lay Lake is one of the oldest impoundments in Alabama; it dates to 1914 and covers about 12,000 acres in St. Clair, Talladega, Shelby, Coosa, and Chilton Counties. Running fifty miles along the old Coosa River channel, it offers anglers more than 289 miles of shoreline.

Along with the Headland Bass Team, Zion Chapel Bass Team hosted the tournament. As host teams, they provided extra hands in setting up and breaking down the staging for the weigh-in.

SOUTHERN OUTDOOR SPORTS, INC. sponsored the event. Without their generous support, this event could not happen.

There were 98 boats registered in this tournament.

Team Shull/J. Dowdy finished in 8th place with four fish weighing 8.13 pounds.

Team Padgett/Young finished 23rd with four fish weighing 5.67 pounds.

Team McDaniel/K. Dowdy finished 44th with two fish weighing 3.42 pounds.

In the angler of the year

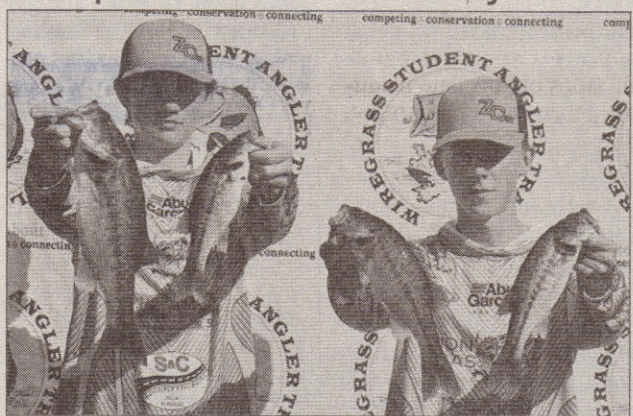
competition after two events, Team Padgett/Young are in 11th place; Shull/J. Dowdy are in 47th place; and K. Dowdy/McDaniel are in 71st place out of 114 teams.

The anglers and coaches are thankful for their captains for this tournament. Without the captains, the anglers would not be able to participate. Captains for this tournament were Taylor Renfro, Mike McDaniel, and Chuck Brannum. These are guys who enjoy the sport of fishing and are willing to give of their time to encourage these young anglers.

The ZCBT recently participated in their school's homecoming parade; they are also planning to have an entry in the Elba Christmas Parade. Also, October 28 they will have a tent set up at Elba's annual Pumpkins on the Square with a "go fishing" game for candy. These activities are encouraged by Alabama High Bass Nation as community service involvement.

The ZCBT will continue its tournament trail October 23rd on the Alabama River where they hope to reel in the big ones and climb the competition chart on the Wiregrass Student Angler Trail.

Mike McDaniel is organizing a bass tournament as a fundraiser for the ZCBT. It will be December 4, 2021, Lake Jordan, State Ramp.



Ethan Young and Avery Padgett

Entry fee is \$100. Read the details by going to the ZCBT Facebook page, or call Mike McDaniel, 494-0804; Larry Campbell, 465-9847; or Dana Haley, 406-0498.

## CARD OF THANKS

The Family of Mark Matthews would like to thank the churches that took time on August 22 to pray for Mark, and to all the people that came by to visit or pray with us, the cards of sympathy, for all the calls, food, and flowers. It has been overwhelming for the outpouring of love that we felt during this difficult time in our lives.

Thank you, and God Bless everyone.  
The Matthews Family

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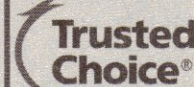
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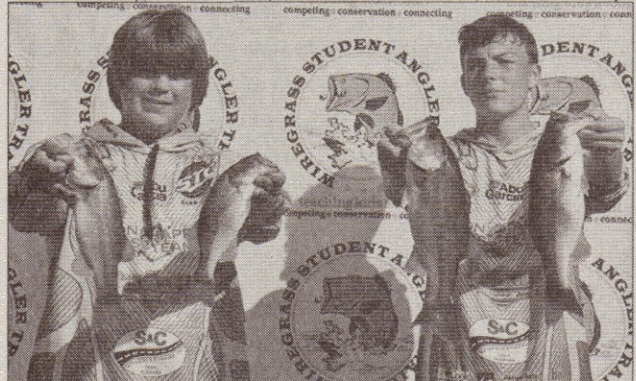
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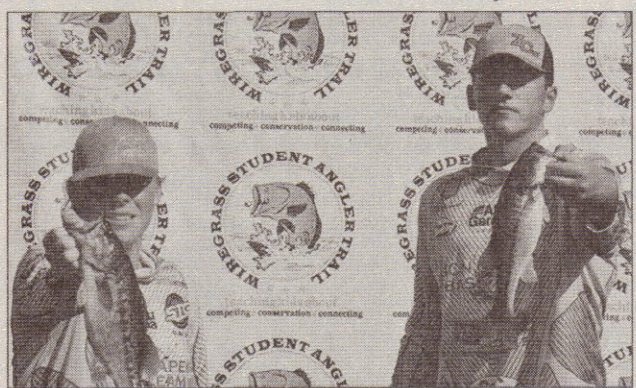
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If you would like to help support those going through breast cancer treatment, here are some ideas.

Donate to charities. You might choose one that focuses on patient support or an organization that does clinical research.

Offer your help. Don't be afraid to offer your specific help to someone going through treatment. Offer some suggestions of things you know they likely need such as drive their kids somewhere, grocery shop, walk the dog or clean their kitchen. And don't forget to keep offering to help. The longer someone is in treatment, the more help they will need.

Donate clothing. Many oncologists welcome gifts of scarves, hats and blankets for their patients. Just ask ones in your area if they are accepting donations.

Write letters and cards. You can send cards or letters to your friends. Write some encouraging notes and drop them at a treatment center for patients to receive.

Drive them to treatment. Appointments can be difficult and fill a cancer patient with anxiety. It can help to have a friendly face to talk to.

Be there to listen. Make sure to check in just to talk and listen, even if it's over the phone or via text. Let the patient know you are thinking about them.

Deliver meals. Chemo treatment is very exhausting. Help provide food by cooking or ordering takeout.

Help motivate them. Tell jokes, talk about the positive things that are going on in your lives, share funny videos, and provide encouragement.

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# CHURCH & LOCAL NEWS

## PASTOR'S CORNER

by Paul Jackson, Pastor

**Covenant Community Church**  
2667 Hickman Avenue, Elba, Alabama

### What are you doing with your life?

Good question, right? Have you ever thought much about it? Many haven't.

Thomas Carlyle wrote: "He was born a man and died a grocer." That was his way of saying something priceless had been lost between birth and death. It had missed its very purpose.

Why did you get up this morning? Do you know? Have you ever tried to verbalize the reason for your existence on this planet?

Why not give it a try right now? Take a moment and think about your life and its purpose.

As you contemplate your existence and its meaning, let me remind you of some very important truths about life:

- "It isn't enough to be busy. Ants are busy." —*Thoreau*
- "It's never too late to be what you could have been." —*George Eliot*

• "...If you wish to leave the world better than you found it, you must be convinced that you have been put here for a purpose, delegated by God in however small a way, to play a part..." —*Father James Keller*

• "Here is the test to find whether your mission on earth is finished: If you are alive, it isn't" —*Richard Bach*

• "Most people spend more time planning Christmas and holidays than they spend planning their life." —*Dennis Waitley*

Perhaps the words of Jesus about life and purpose are best of all. He simply asks two poignant questions in Mark's gospel (8:36-37, MSG). Read slowly:

"What good would it do to get everything you want and lose the real you?"

What could you ever trade your soul for?"

Don't feel badly if you can't quite yet put your purpose down on paper. And don't be afraid to take a long, hard look at your life, either.

Here's what I believe: You're halfway there if you just start believing that you were created on-purpose, for a purpose—one larger than yourself—one larger than death even. It's not too late!

If you want to talk, I'll listen. I also have a gift for anyone who would like to have it. It's a booklet by Rick Warren titled *What on Earth Am I Here For?* Simply call the church office at 897-2288 and request your free copy. It might just be one of the most important calls you will ever make.

Call today!

## Homecoming set for Oct. 24th at Zion Chapel Baptist Church

Zion Chapel Baptist Church will hold Homecoming services on Sunday, Oct. 24, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Dr. John Granger will be the guest speaker for Homecoming, and Old Southern Gospel will be singing. Dinner on the grounds will follow the service. All are invited.

## Trunk-or-Treat planned for Oct. 31st at Westside Baptist Church

Westside Baptist Church, along with First Baptist Church Elba and Elba United Methodist Church, will host a Trunk-or-Treat event Sunday, Oct. 31, from 5:30-7:00 p.m. This will be at Westside Baptist Church, located at 1026 Caroline Street, Elba.

## Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church plans Oct. 31st Fall Festival

Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church, located at 720 E. Davis Street, Elba, Ala., will host a Fall Festival on Sunday, Oct. 31, from 2-4 p.m. There will be fun for the entire family.

Join in the fun for food, a bounce house, trunk-or-treat and tons of games. Children are encouraged to 'dress up' as their favorite superhero or superhuman [because not all heroes wear capes]. This event is free and open to the public.

## New Hope Senior Center taking applications for new participants

New Hope Senior Citizens Center is looking for a "Few Good Men and Women" to become a part of the senior center family! The center is taking applications for new participants. For more information, contact center director Conzuella Banks at (334) 735-5433. Call Today!!

## Elba Public Library needs yearbooks for digitizing process underway now

The Elba Public Library is digitizing yearbooks. When digitized, anyone will have access to search, copy and print from yearbooks. The yearbooks also will be searchable by name and dates. The library only has a small collection of yearbooks, however, and is asked for the community's help in getting more. Therefore, the Elba Public Library is asking to borrow yearbooks for this process. The yearbooks will be mailed to be scanned, digitized, and returned in the same condition. Yearbooks needed from: Elba 1950-1972, 1991-1994, and 2010 to present; Zion Chapel 1950-present; Kinston 1950 – present; and any others from Coffee County. Contact the Elba Public Library for any questions at (334) 897-6921, [library@elbaal.gov](mailto:library@elbaal.gov) or make contact on Facebook.

**SHARE YOUR CHURCH NEWS WITH US!**

## Round and About With Eria's Daughter



**Scripture:** The Lord the Shepherd of His People [Psalm 23: 1-6]

say that they sought Jesus because of your testimony? — C.R.B.

### Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Corene Wilkerson, World Peace, Emily Newman, Southland Church Families, Robyn Patterson, Olen Barry, Donald and Dora Byrd, Dea. J.L. Williams, Lucille Wade

### November Birthdays / Anniversaries

Kira Starks 11/6  
Juanita Jackson 11/6  
Marion White 11/6 (in memory)  
Bernice Culver 11/7  
Kimberly Rideaux 11/7  
Charlotte Caldwell 11/7  
Kynu Coleman 11/7  
Gregory S. Kelley 11/12  
Rev. Roderick Rideaux 11/14  
Thomas Brooks 11/16

### Drawn by a Friend's Words

In his early adulthood one of my grandfathers was a functioning alcoholic. He worked all week, but when Saturday came, he got drunk. Grandpa was a mean drunk, willing to fight anyone. One day a friend came by and said, "You ought to go down to the church. The preacher can quote more scripture than you can imagine." His friend's challenge struck a chord in Grandpa's heart. He went to the meeting, and he turned to Christ. Life changed for Grandpa and his family. Alcohol was no longer a part of their home. The ripples of this faithful decision are still seen throughout our family. The Samaritan woman's testimony caused waves in her community. She aroused their curiosity sufficiently that they went to hear Jesus. His words caused them to believe in Him. When the story of your life is told, how many people will be able to

### Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 10/21/21  
Q: Which item was not included in James' definition of pure religion? [visiting widows and orphans] [not being corrupted by the world] [being respected by the congregation]  
A: Being respected by the congregation [James 1:27]  
Q: What quality is evident in a person with wisdom? [confidence] [meekness] [ability to convince]  
A: meekness [James 3:13]

### Thought to Remember

We don't need more to be thankful for, we just need to be more thankful

### Questions for the Week of 10/28/21

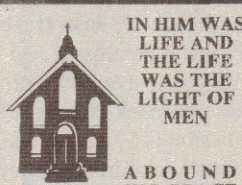
Multiple Choice  
Q: Who was the messenger sent ahead of Jesus? [Elisha] [John the Baptist] [Paul]  
Q: Jesus was criticized for being what? [dishonest] [a friend of publicans and sinners] [lustful]  
Q: Which of these things did Jesus reveal himself to be? [the way] [the key] [the answer]

Today is a good day! Be grateful.  
Eria's Daughter, Sue

### NOTICE:

Anyone age 60 or over needing a meal, or for questions about the Elba Senior Center or SARCOA, call the center at 897-3019.

# Church Directory



**IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN**

**ABUNDANT GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Rockey Pearce, Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

**ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.**  
Richard Thorne Sr., Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

**ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Harry Driggers, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sam Self, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**BETHEL AME CHURCH**  
Deborah A. Butler, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

**BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Greg Cotter, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.

**BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Robert Davis, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.

**CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Remonia Smith, Pastor  
Church Service... 9:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

**CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH**  
Larry Miles, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.

**COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Paul Jackson, Pastor  
Sunday Fellowship 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal... 5:30 p.m.  
Bible Study & Prayer... 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

**DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Steve Watson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

**FAITH CHURCH**  
Phillip Adecock, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

**FAITH CHURCH COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Phillip Adecock, Pastor  
Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON**  
Denny Bradshaw, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Scott Donaldson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH**  
Edward E. Drake, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.

**GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH**  
Versees - Billy Berry  
Sat. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.

**GRACE FELLOWSHIP**  
John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

**GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Jeremie Turner, Sr. Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC BAPTIST CHURCH**  
W.K. Ellison, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.

**HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Shirley Ellis, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

**HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH**  
Mark Cooper, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:30 p.m.  
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**HOLY TEMPLE COGIC**  
Glenwood, AL  
Sunday Prayer... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.

**INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

**INO BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Garry Winstead, Pastor  
Sunday School... 8:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Matthew Morris, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

**KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH**  
Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

**NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH**  
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

**NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Terry Godwin, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:00 p.m.

**NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Randall Pearson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**NEW GLORIOUS COGIC**  
James Starks Jr., Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Bib Stud Wed... 6:00 p.m.

**NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**  
Brad Sasser, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

**NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH**  
Lanny Shepard, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

**NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
Julian Mitchell, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

**OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Julian Mitchell, Pastor  
1st... 4th Sun. Morn.  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

**OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Lee Jones, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

**PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

**PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON**  
Terry McCrummen, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

**PRASE & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER**  
Roy L. Turner, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

**ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH**  
A.R. Williams, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.  
2nd & 4th Sundays

**ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

**SHADY GROVE AME**  
James Boots, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

**SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

**THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST**  
Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 12 noon  
Even. Service... 7:00 p.m.  
Youth Ser. Mon... 7:00 p.m.  
Wed Bible Class... 7:00 p.m.  
Fri Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

**THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba**  
Max Reed, Minister  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.  
Tuesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

**TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
C.P. Davis, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

**VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH**  
Donald Mills, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

**VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Shayne Allen, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:45 p.m.  
Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.

**VICTORY TABERNACLE**  
Ruby Lawson, Pastor  
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

**WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Ken Wilson, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Tommy Green, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

**WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Kenneth Hagler, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

**WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Donnie Marler, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:30 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

**WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**  
Mike Medley, Pastor  
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

**ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Cary Maulden, Pastor  
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.  
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

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Employment Opportunity  
Chief of Police

The City of Elba is now accepting applications for the position of Chief of Police

The Chief of Police is appointed by the City Council

Opening Date: Immediately. Closing Date Oct. 29, 2021.

**Job Summary:** Responsible for directing all activities and employees of the Police Department. Prepares budgets and recommends expenditure of funds. Coordinates and cooperates with other law enforcement efforts and city personnel.**Required Knowledge, Skills and Experience:** Extensive knowledge of principles and practices of modern police science, organizational, operational and administration skills. Thorough knowledge of city, state and federal laws, rulings, guidelines and interpretations related to law enforcement. Ability to analyze situations and adopt quick, effective, and reasonable courses of action.

## Qualifications:

- Must be certified as a law enforcement officer as established by Alabama law.
- Possess a valid AL Driver's license with a clear MVR.
- Any combination of education, training, and experience equivalent to a college degree in criminal justice.
- Ten years in progressive responsible experience in law enforcement preferring the last 5 years in management.

**Benefits:** The City of Elba offers BC/BS Health and Dental Insurance, State Retirement, provides a vehicle, paid hazardous duty pay, paid vacation, sick time and holiday pay.**Salary:** Based on Experience and qualifications: \$50,000 to \$60,000Applications are available at:  
Elba City Hall, 200 Buford Street, Elba, AL.  
All applications should be submitted to City Hall.  
EOE

## The Coffee County Board of Education is seeking applications for the following:

**School Nurse (LPN) @ Kinston School:** All persons applying for this position must possess a valid/current nursing license with a minimum of three years successful experience in pediatric, public health, or school nursing preferred.**Math Teacher @ New Brockton High School:** All persons applying for this position must possess a valid Alabama Teacher's Certificate or be eligible to receive Alabama certification, with relevant certification and expertise in the area of specialization.

Applications accepted through October 29, 2021 or until the positions are filled.

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## SECTION 00020

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Modernization of Public

Housing Sites AL107-

2, VIII; AL107-4, VIII;

AL107-5, VIII and AL107-

6, VII, AL09-P107-501-21

until 2:00 p.m., (Central

Time) on Tuesday,

November 9, 2021, at

the central office of the

Authority, 1207 N. Claxton

Avenue, Elba, Alabama

36323 at which time and

place all bids will be publicly

opened and read aloud.

The project consists of

furnishing all plant, labor,

materials, equipment and

all services and performing

and coordinating all operations

for the Modernization

of Public Housing Sites

AL107-2, VIII; AL107-

4, VIII; AL107-5, VIII

and AL107-6, VII, HUD

Modernization Number

AL09-P107-501-21. The

Work of the base bid shall

include, but is not necessarily

limited to one complete unit of modernization,

a metal building addition,

the replacement of HVAC

units and work incidental

thereunto. Attention and

reference is directed to the

General Notes of the drawings.

Contract documents, including

drawings and technical

specifications, are on file

at the office of the Housing

Authority of the City of Elba,

1207 N. Claxton Avenue,

Elba, Alabama 36323 and

The Architectural Office of

William J. Peek, 908 S. Hull

St., Suite 210, Montgomery,

Alabama 36104.

Copies of contract documents

may be obtained by

depositing \$200.00 with

The Architectural Office of

William J. Peek for each set

of documents so obtained.

Each such deposit will

be refunded if the drawings

and specifications are

returned in good condition

within ten days after bid

opening.

Plans and specifications

will be issued only to qualified

contractors licensed by the

State Licensing Board

of General Contractors of

Alabama as required by

Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of

Alabama, 1975 as amended.

Only bids of such contractors

who are duly licensed

will be considered. Current

license number must be displayed

on the sealed envelope

in which the bid is delivered

or the bid WILL NOT be accepted.

Bidders are requested to

inspect the property and the

buildings themselves, as

well as operations and conditions

that may be affected.

A certified check or bank

draft, payable to the order

of the Housing Authority

of the City of Elba or a

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by the bidder and an

acceptable surety company

in an amount equal to five

percent (5%) of the total bid

shall be submitted with each

bid. Acceptable Surety

Companies are listed in the

current issue of the U.S.

Department of the Treasury,

Circular 570.

Attention is called to the fact

that not less than the minimum

salaries and wages as set

forth in the contract documents

must be paid on this project,

and that the contractor must

ensure that employees and

applicants for employment are

not discriminated against because

of their race, color, religion,

sex, or national origin.

Contractors are reminded

that in accordance with

the City of Elba reserves the

right to reject any or all bids

or to waive any informality

in the bidding.

Bids may be held by the

Housing Authority of the

City of Elba for a period not

to exceed sixty (60) days

from the date of opening

of bids for the purpose of

reviewing them and investigating

the qualifications of the

bidders, prior to awarding

the contract.

The Housing Authority of

the City of Elba

By: Laurie Chapman

Title: Executive Director

9-30/10-7,14&amp;21-chg

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OF COFFEE COUNTY,

ALABAMA

ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF

THE ESTATE OF

BILLY MALCOMB

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Deceased

Case No: PC2021-074

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters

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Parker, deceased, who

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Judge of Probate.

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/s/Christina Parker

Christina Walker Parker,

Administratrix of the Estate



## Zion Chapel Rebel News



Featuring News from  
Zion Chapel School  
Teacher Sponsor for the  
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Ashley Storey



Jordan Saunders



Emma Killingsworth

### Zion Chapel molds entrepreneurs

by Adalyn Breanna  
Sanders, 9th grade

Zion Chapel does not only send students off to college and into careers, but it also grows its very own entrepreneurs!

Emma Killingsworth, a 17-year-old junior, recently launched her business making beaded and handmade accessories, keychains, lanyards, pacifier clips, and Bogg bag tags. She became interested in starting to make these items when she was shopping on Etsy one day (an online store) and realized she could make these things herself for a less expensive price.

Killingsworth began her business in July. In addition to promoting her items and trying her hand at new creations for her customers, she is very involved in extracurricular activities. She is the Junior Class Vice President, a member of ASTRA of Jack and Senior Beta Club, a Rebel News contributor, and she is also employed as an after-school aide at ZC.

If interested in supporting Emma Killingsworth, visit <https://bit.ly/3BVaMOQ>.

Another young entrepreneur at Zion Chapel

is Jordan Saunders, a 16-year-old junior, who runs and owns a business called Best Life By Jordan. Her services include hair and makeup for special events (such as pageants and weddings), photography, custom paintings, and polymer clay earrings.

Saunders began her business because she has always been into art and wanted to include multiple aspects that could be utilized and enjoyed by everyone.

Saunders states, "I realized I had a knack for these things, so I figured why not make a business out of it?"

She has been doing makeup and hair since 2019 and has just recently added the other aspects to her business.

Like Killingsworth, Saunders is also very busy as a Senior Beta member, SGA representative, Junior Class Secretary, ASTRA of Jack and FBLA member, a Rebel News contributor, and she is also employed as an after-school aide.

If you are interested in supporting Saunders and her business, visit <https://bit.ly/3BPY2hd>, or contact her on Instagram, @BestLifeByJordan.

### Students donate food and drink items to first responders

by Jordan Saunders,  
11th grade

During the week of homecoming at Zion Chapel, the theme was "United We Stand" to honor healthcare workers and first responders that do so much for the local communities.

Grades Kindergarten through 12th donated food and drink items to be made into gift baskets for first responders in the area. These baskets were made by students with the help of guidance counselor Angie Davis, and the items were delivered by members of the Student Government Association. The well-deserving

recipients included: Coffee County Sheriff's Department, Troy Health and Rehab, Enterprise Rescue, Coffee County Jail, Zion Chapel Fire Department, Pike County Sheriff's Department, Troy Regional Medical Center, Medical Center Enterprise, Brundidge Police Department, Elba City Police Department, and Elba Nursing Home.

During such uncertain times, it warms the hearts of those in the ZC community to know they are able to show this support to those on the frontlines of emergencies and in the medical field.



SGA member Katelyn Voss delivering a gift basket to Enterprise Rescue employees.

### Zion Chapel Alumni Spotlight

by Paden Boothe,  
12th grade

Zion Chapel has always been known for its ability to create fond memories of high school for all students who have attended.

Recently, Jordan Saunders conducted an interview with Kevin Allen, a 1996 graduate. She asked him a few questions about his experience at Zion Chapel and obtained useful life advice.

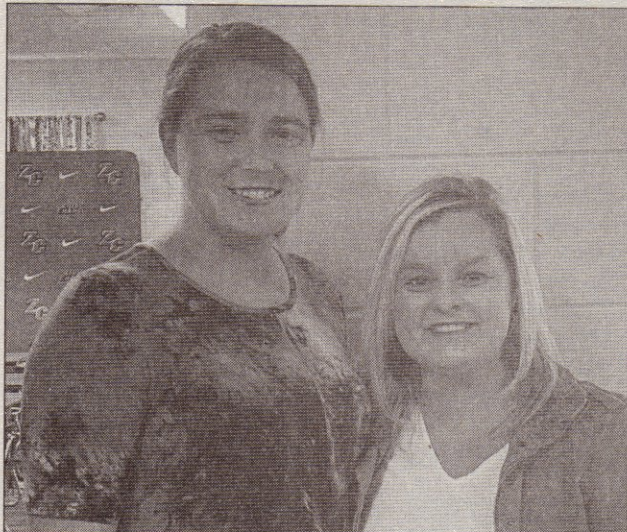
When asked what his favorite memory of high school was, Allen answered with, "having close-knit friends." His answer shows how being a Rebel truly means being a part of a bigger family and creating

bonds with others that can last a lifetime.

After graduating from Zion Chapel, Allen earned his Associate's degree in forestry. He eventually began employment at KW Plastics where he worked his way up to managing the shipping in the logistics department.

Saunders asked, "If you could go back to high school, what would you tell your younger self?"

Allen answered with wise and meaningful words, "It doesn't really matter what you enjoy, just enjoy it while you are young." This is a prime example of enjoying the little things in life and have fun while doing it.



Kennedy Logan, current volleyball coach (left) and Shasta Barron, former volleyball coach (right)

### Barron reflects on 20-year tenure as Zion Chapel's volleyball coach

by Reannon Odore,  
11th grade

ZC's head volleyball coach for many years recently retired her whistle, and the new head coach is one of her former players. The Rebel News staff interviewed former coach Shasta Barron and new coach Kennedy Logan to see what they had to say about the changes.

Barron had been coaching since 2001. Her volleyball career started while she was a student at Kinston High where she earned a volleyball scholarship. She played one season

at Huntingdon College and then transferred to Enterprise State Junior College where she also played for one season.

After teaching at Zion Chapel and coaching for so many years, she confessed it was a hard decision to end this part of her career. She emphasized her love of coaching but "felt it was time to allow someone else to come in and take over who could lead the girls into greater success."

Barron also coached her daughter, Amberly, in her senior year during her last season, 2020-2021. She said, "even though we didn't have the success we had hoped for last year, we still have the memories."

Kennedy Logan, a former player of Barron, is now the volleyball coach.

According to Barron, Coach Logan was "one of my best players."

When asked how she felt about handing the program over to Coach Logan, Barron said she feels confident that Logan knows the game and will push the girls to get better.

In addition to the lessons learned on the court, Barron was asked what is one lesson she hoped her girls learned from playing for her.

"I hope my girls learned that if you want to be successful, you have to work hard," she said. "It doesn't matter if it's sports, school, a job, or anything else. Hard work pays off. Also, if someone pushes you to be better, it's because they believe in you."

Even though Barron isn't coaching anymore, Zion Chapel is thankful she is still on the staff. Her current position is the Gifted Specialist and Intervention teacher. She loves her job! She enjoys challenging her students to go beyond what they think they're capable of, just like she did her players.

Also, Coach Logan was asked how she felt about taking over the team.

"I have loved coaching this year at my hometown school," she said. "It has been an amazing experience. I do feel the pressure since I know most of the kids and their relatives. I know that they expect a lot out of me."

When asked how she felt about playing for Barron, Logan replied, "I loved playing for Coach Barron. She was an intense coach who pushed us to be the best players we could be."

Logan has truly enjoyed her first year back at her home school of Zion Chapel, and as a former player of Barron's, there is no doubt she will expect the same intensity from the players as Barron did!



### Herbert talks move from teacher to secondary instructional coach

by Dayne Bannin,  
12th grade

Former high school English teacher, Emily Herbert, recently took on a new position at the school. She is now the secondary instructional coach, but that is not all she does.

Herbert has really adjusted well to this new position, and something new is always a good change.

As all the members on the Rebel News staff are her former students, the staff was curious to know how her role now is different overall from being an English teacher.

"The position shares similarities with teaching, but also includes a wider variety of responsibilities," Herbert said.

Even though she is no longer a classroom teacher, she still calls herself a teacher because her position still requires her to work with teachers and students. Just like any other job in the education field, there are additional responsibilities and jobs for her. If a student, or even a teacher, needs help with anything, she does everything she can to help support and learn with them.

High school English teacher Ashley Storey confirms this.

"I can't tell you how many times I go to her door and

ask her questions and for feedback," Storey said. "She helps me design lessons, analyze data, and set goals for our students. She is the greatest!"

Herbert's new office is across from her old classroom, so students stop in on a regular basis and plan times with her to get extra help or make up missing work.

In addition to working with students, Herbert meets with grade bands and departments to set some goals for growth as a school and really digs into the data. She says that data plays a big part in her everyday routine.

"I work to pull out information that can be used to identify our strengths and weaknesses," she said.

Herbert then takes the necessary actions to overcome the school's struggles for the betterment of the stakeholders.

To cap off the interview, Herbert was asked, "What do you miss most about being in the classroom?"

Her answer, "I miss being with the students the most. We have the best kids, and I love being a part of the 'aha' moments of learning."

It is safe to say she is doing a great job in her new position, and even though the students miss having her in the classroom, they fully support her and wish her the best.

### Improvements underway near baseball/softball complex on Zion Chapel campus

by Emma Killingsworth,  
11th grade

In Spring 2021, Zion Chapel began the clean-up and removal of trees starting near Highway 87 and spanning back to the steep embankment directly beside the baseball/softball complex.

The embankment created a safety hazard for coaches and players retrieving foul balls from the steep hill. Therefore, site preparation included the removal of trees along with decreasing elevation of the embankment to improve safety and appear-

ance. The tapering of the bank is expected to alleviate a draining issue, which caused water buildup on the fields. The excess water also became a breeding ground for mosquitoes and other pests.

Sod is now being laid in place of the embankment, and cleanup will soon be complete. This project will be complete before the start of Zion Chapel baseball/softball season.

Zion Chapel coaches and players excitedly await the start of the 2021-2022 season with the much needed improvements.

## City Of ELBA NOTICE

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November 1, 2021**

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**City of Elba, AL  
Sally Bane, City Clerk**



## SPORTS NEWS

## Views From The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

**Our grandson Lawson had a fun weekend** as one of his cousins from Lee County came down for a visit and they stayed up late into the night after the Elba football game Friday night playing video games, board games and wrestling on the floor. I'm not sure how he did wrestling, but I betcha my little man held his own once they turned on the video games.

### For what it is worth....

\*\*\* **The Elba Tigers claimed their fifth straight win** and moved into a three way tie for the top spot in the region standings last week with an exciting 41-25 win over previously undefeated Ariton. The Tigers jumped out to a 20-6 halftime lead and then matched their region rivals point for point in a wild second half to hang on and claim the win in a battle between two 'Top 5' teams in the 2A ranks. Elba had a big night running the football and in the fourth quarter went on a seven-minute drive that included twelve running plays and ended in the endzone. It was the kind of drive that wins championships, and maybe it will help do just that as far as winning the region crown is considered. It was a great atmosphere for a high school football game on both sides of the stadium, and it was special to an old Elba Tiger fan like myself to hear the Elba fans chanting "Elll-Bee" as the final seconds ticked off the clock. One game doesn't make or break a season, but last week's region win made a lot of people dressed in black and gold head home happy.

\*\*\* **It was a pretty good week** for the teams in the area as Brantley clinched a region crown, Kinston tied a record for wins in a season, New Brockton celebrated homecoming and Zion Chapel scored a season-high 28 points. Here is a quick look back....

\*\* **Brantley continued to make it look easy** against region opponents with a 46-6 romp past Red Level. The Bulldogs had no problems scoring and turned in another dominating offensive performance, and the result was another lopsided region win.

\*\* **Kinston pulled away in the second half** to defeat Pleasant Home 33-18 and in doing so posted its sixth win of the season, which tied the all-time Bulldog record for wins in a season. Kinston travels by ground since it lost its dual-threat quarterback a few weeks back, and last week the path led to the endzone and a big region win.

\*\* **New Brockton hosted Providence Christian** for homecoming, and while the queens and alumni had a big night, the Gamecocks weren't as happy to hear the final horn sound as they dropped their fourth straight game, this time to Providence Christian 34-20. The Gamecocks did get some injured players back in the lineup, but it wasn't enough as they lost yet again.

\*\* **Zion Chapel scored a season high 28 points** in a road game in Cottonwood, but couldn't keep the Bears out of the endzone and dropped a wild 54-28 region contest. The Rebels have yet to win this season, but always play hard and give their fans a reason to be proud. Don't dare doubt that better days are ahead.

\*\*\* **It was an eventful week** of high school football action across the state as two defending state champs were knocked off their #1 seats and a couple of other teams also made the headlines. Here is a quick look back at the week

that was....

\*\* **Class 1A** – Top-ranked Brantley routed Red Level 46-6 and #2 Sweet Water battered #10 Millry 40-6, while closer to home McKenzie continued its late-season surge with a 44-35 win over Florala and Samson picked up its seventh win of the season with an impressive 34-6 win over winless Georgiana, which has now been outscored 273-75 this season.

\*\* **Class 2A** – Top-ranked Clarke County knocked off #9 Leroy 20-14 and #2 Lanett embarrassed Randolph County 71-8, while closer to home Highland Home clinched a playoff berth despite its 3-5 record with a 49-6 win over Francis Marion, G.W. Long continued to light up the scoreboard in a 49-20 romp past Geneva County, and Luverne spanked Thorsby 48-6 to remain unbeaten and has now allowed only 25 points in seven games.

\*\* **Class 3A** – Top-ranked Fyffe saw its nation-best 51-game winning streak snapped in a 20-19 region loss to Geraldine, while #2 Montgomery Catholic steamrolled #3 Trinity 52-7, #5 Opp was upset by Slocumb, and #9 Flomaton lost to Hillcrest Evergreen 21-9. Closer to home, Goshen fell to Beulah 42-6 and has now been outscored 358-35 in eight games, Pike County lost to Childersburg and has now been outscored 289-50 in a winless season, and Wicksburg jumped back into the region race with a 23-14 win over Houston Academy.

\*\* **Class 4A** – Top-ranked Handley was upset by Anniston 28-27, while #2 Madison Academy defeated New Hope 37-7 and #9 West Limestone lost to Rogers 14-13. Closer to home, Straughn inched closer to a playoff berth with a 19-17 upset win over Alabama Christian and Geneva got its sixth win of the season with a 41-14 win over Bullock County.

\*\* **Class 5A** – Top-ranked Pike Road was idle and #2 Pleasant Grove coasted past John Carroll 42-14, while closer to home Carroll clinched a playoff berth with a 52-22 romp over Charles Henderson, Greenville handed Andalusia its fourth loss of the season in a 28-20 region win, and Rehobeth snapped a six-game losing streak with a 33-22 win over Headland.

\*\* **Class 6A** – Top-ranked Clay-Chalkville outscored #7 Pinson Valley 42-23, #2 Hartselle stomped Hazel Green 56-7 and #10 Jackson-Olin lost to Gardendale 28-20. Closer to home, Eufaula kept its slim playoff hopes alive with a 41-7 region win over Russell County, and Sidney Lanier picked up its eighth win with a 12-6 victory over Carver.

\*\* **Class 7A** – Top-ranked Thompson blanked Oak Mountain 48-0 and #2 Hoover blasted Tuscaloosa County 49-7, while closer to home Enterprise scored 38 points in the first quarter in a 60-40 win over Jeff Davis, and Dothan slipped to 3-5 with a 48-12 loss to Central Phenix City.

\*\*\* **Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator** was still wearing black and gold when he stopped by the office over the weekend and said he told an Ariton fan that was complaining about how the Purple Cats always get cheated by the refs every time they come to Elba that Friday night's game was the first time in 91 years that Ariton has played in Elba in high school football. He laughed that the fan had a mighty good memory! Anyway, the local guesspert it on 29 of his 34 picks last week and dropped off this week's fearless forecast. Here goes....

#### ELBA VS. HOUSTON COUNTY

The Pea River felines will be hitch-hiking to near the state line for a mid-week showdown with a litter of kitties that hang out behind a cemetery. The kitties have enjoyed a big season and would like nothing more than to spoil the felines region title hopes. However, the guess here is the felines won't be in any mood to play after the long walk.

**ELBA 39 HOUSTON COUNTY 14**

#### NEW BROCKTON VS. HOUSTON ACADEMY

The roosters from over near the bypass have been losing feathers for the past couple of weeks and may be winging it this week for a Friday night clash with a band of bandits from over in the circle city. The roosters will have their claws sharpened, but it might not be enough to escape with a win.

#### HOUSTON ACADEMY 38 NEW BROCKTON 21

#### ZION CHAPEL VS. GENEVA COUNTY

The troops from up at Fort Jack will be back at the fort this weekend and have traps set to snare a pack of wild dogs that have been heading their way. The troops will have their sites set and will be ready to fire. However, there may not be quite enough ammunition.

#### GENEVA COUNTY 34 ZION CHAPEL 12

#### KINSTON VS. SAMSON

The bulldogs from down near the county line will take a short hike east looking for a win that will give them a homefield advantage in the upcoming playoffs. The dogs will have to chase a litter of kitties out of their cage to claim a win, and the guess here is that the 'dogs might better find a map for future reference.

#### SAMSON 27 KINSTON 17

#### BRANTLEY VS. FLORALA

The bulldogs from up across the creek will be back at the pound this weekend looking to continue it stroll through any and all region opponents, and have their eyes set on a litter of kitties that will try to sneak into town late Friday afternoon. The 'dogs won't cause any harm to any animals in making their latest video, but will run up and down the field.

#### BRANTLEY 48 FLORALA 6

#### OTHER PICKS:

Leroy 41 Washington County 6  
Rehobeth 35 Northside Methodist 21  
McKenzie 56 Georgiana 6  
Pleasant Home 22 Red Level 20  
Millry 40 McIntosh 0  
Sweet Water 49 Choctaw County 0  
Keith 59 J.F. Shields 0  
Loachapoka 60 Barbour County 6  
Ariton 41 Cottonwood 12  
G.W. Long 49 Abbeville 8  
Lanett 55 Horseshoe Bend 0  
Luverne 29 Isabella 20  
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Providence Christian 45 Daleville 14  
Wicksburg 20 Slocumb 19  
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Auburn 38 Enterprise 35  
Prattville 31 Jeff Davis 14  
Smiths Station 34 Dothan 27

## Elba Tigers face 'must win' region matchup on road

The Elba Tigers will carry their region title hopes to Columbia on Thursday night when they tangle with the much-improved Houston County Lions, in a key region matchup.

Elba leads the all-time series 4-3, has won the last three contests, and last season posted a 40-19 win.

"Houston County has a solid football team on both sides of the ball and will leave nothing on the table in an attempt to knock us out of the top spot in the region," stated Elba Tiger head coach Marc Sieving. "They have claimed five big wins this season after winning just four total

games the past three years,

and will be excited to take the field Thursday night. Despite the five wins they are out of the playoff picture. So, this will be their playoff game as they continue to rebuild their program. We know we will get their best game and will have to ready if we are going to accomplish our

goal."

Houston County has posted wins over Northside Methodist 19-13, Florala 21-12, Zion Chapel 28-18, Ashford 50-26 and Abbeville 35-14, while losing to Ariton 49-0, G.W. Long 45-16, Cottonwood 38-22 and Geneva County 40-21.

"We had a very hard

fought and emotional win last week over Ariton and will be playing on a short week," added Coach Sieving, "and will have to refocus in a hurry to make sure we will be ready to play our best game of the season. While it is true we are tied for first in the region and may have a leg up on a region title, a loss to

Houston County will knock us down to the number three spot and put us on the road in the playoffs. We have some players banged up after last week's game, but they will have to answer the bell Thursday night as we attempt to complete a goal of winning the region."

Kickoff for the Thursday night contest will be 7 pm.

## Region wars conclude for area teams

The high school football season will continue toward the finish line this week as all four area teams complete their region schedules.

Following is a preview of this week's area games:

#### Geneva County at Zion Chapel

The Zion Chapel Rebels will be looking to snap a 15-game regular season losing streak Friday night when they host the Geneva County Bulldogs.

Geneva County leads the all-time series 3-0 and won last season's matchup 49-13.

The (0-8) Rebels have scored a total of 114 points this season while allowing 324, while the (4-4) Bulldogs have scored 204 points and allowed 219.

#### New Brockton at Houston Academy

The New Brockton Gamecocks will close out the season Friday night when they travel to Dothan for a region clash with the Houston Academy Raiders.

Houston Academy leads the all-time series 15-6, has won the last 11 games and last season posted a 21-14 win.

The (4-5) Gamecocks have scored 206 points and allowed 243 points this season, while the Raiders have scored 271 points and allowed 150.

#### Kinston at Samson

The Kinston Bulldogs will be looking to set a school record for wins in a season and lock down the homefield advantage in the playoffs Friday night when they travel to Samson for a key region clash with the

Samson Tigers.

Samson leads the all-time series 33-6, has won the last six meetings and claimed a 21-14 win last season.

The (6-3) Bulldogs have scored a total of 233 points and allowed 164 points this season, while the Tigers have scored 227 points and allowed 162.

#### Florala at Brantley

The Brantley Bulldogs will be looking to wrap

up a perfect region record Friday night when they host the Florala Wildcats.

Brantley leads the all-time series 24-3-1, has won 23 straight meetings and last season posted a 53-36 win.

The (7-0) Bulldogs have scored a total of 268 points and allowed only 44 points this season, while the (3-5) Wildcats have scored 161 points and allowed 205 points.



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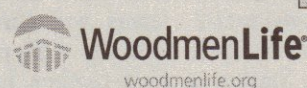
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SPORTS NEWS

Elba Tigers cage 'Cats 41-25

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor  
Photos by Roberta Gideon

The fifth-ranked Elba Tigers hosted the fourth-ranked and undefeated Ariton Purple Cats Friday night in a Class 2A headliner in front of a large and noisy crowd at Tiger Stadium and gave their fans plenty to cheer about as they moved into a first place tie in the region standings with an exciting 41-25 win.

The two region rivals swapped punts on their initial possessions, but Ariton got its offense in gear on its second series as the Purple Cats went 44 yards in six plays to get on the scoreboard. The score came on a 32-yard pass from Ian Senn to Matthew Harrell, and while the extra-point try failed, Ariton was on top 6-0 with 5:40 left in the first quarter.

Elba began its ensuing possession at the Ariton 22-yardline after a 46-yard kickoff return by Peyton McCart, and four plays later the Tigers were in the endzone. Alvin Henderson rushed for 31 yards on two carries and scored the touchdown on a 14-yard scamper, and while the extra-point try sailed wide, Elba had pulled even at 6-6 with 3:35 remaining in the quarter.

Elba began its initial possession of the second quarter at the Ariton 35-yardline after a short punt and this time needed only one play to reach the endzone as Alvin Henderson took a handoff and raced 35 yards for a Tiger touchdown. Alex Wisecup kicked the extra-point, and with 11:40 left in the second quarter the Tigers were on top 13-6.

Ariton began its ensuing possession near midfield and behind the passing of Ian Senn and the running of Jordan Smith marched to a first down at the Elba 3-yardline. A big hit behind the line of scrimmage by Chrystyle Caldwell slowed the march; however, and three plays later the threat ended when Peyton McCart stepped in front a Purple Cat pass and returned the interception 48 yards to midfield.

Elba failed to cash in the turnover, but regained possession at the Ariton 25-yardline after a 20-yard punt return by Byron Burks, and once again Alvin Henderson broke loose as the freshman running back rambled 25 yards for his third touchdown of the half. Wisecup added the extra-point as Elba increased its lead to 20-6 with 2:10 remaining in the second quarter.

Ariton was determined to cut into the Elba lead before the end of the half and rode the arm and legs of Ian Senn to a first down at the Tigers 7-yardline. The Elba defense again stiffened with its back to its own goal line, and when a fourth down pass missed its target the Tigers carried a 20-6 lead in at intermission.

Elba turned the ball over on its second play from scrimmage in the third quarter and Ariton took advantage of the Tiger turnover to head down the field to reach the endzone. Senn completed three of three passes for 59 yards on the 73-yard scoring drive, with the score coming on a 26-yard touchdown toss to Landon Tyler. Senn also added the extra-point, and with 9:59 left in the third quarter Elba's lead was down to 20-13.

Elba began its next offensive series at its own 37-yardline and the Tigers answered the Ariton score with a touchdown of their own to regain command. Brayden Johnson rushed for 10 yards on one carry



Elba Tiger Chrystyle Caldwell (44) guards his prey after a big hit on the Ariton quarterback in last week's 41-25 region win.

and completed two of two passes for 42 yards to spark the scoring drive, with the touchdown coming on a 39-yard pass from Johnson to Peyton McCart. Alex Wisecup kicked the extra-point as the Tigers lead grew to 27-13 with 5:14 remaining in the quarter.

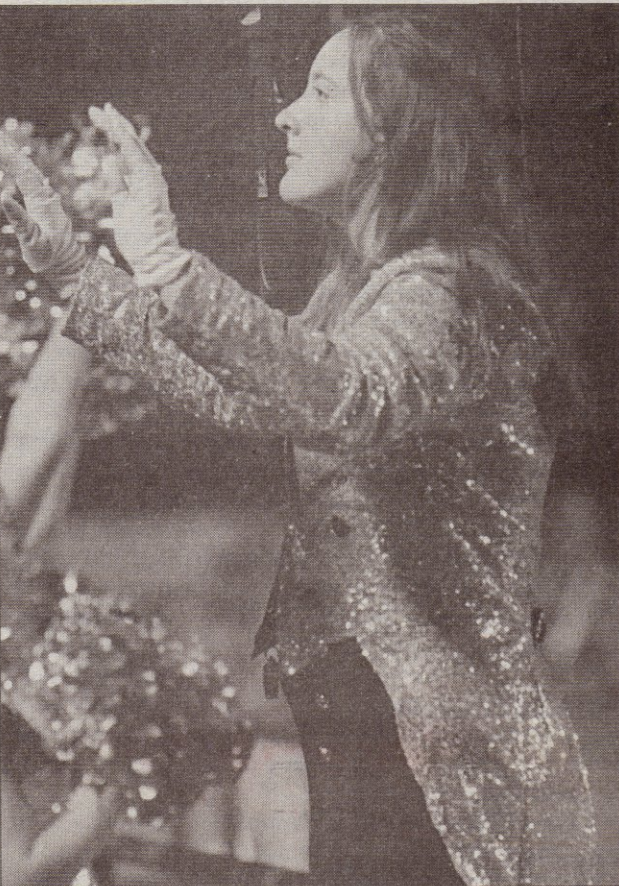
Ariton put the ball in play at the Elba 49-yardline to begin its next possession and covered the distance in five plays to get back into the endzone. Jordan Smith capped the scoring drive with a 13-yard touchdown dash, but the extra-point try failed, and with 3:00 left in the quarter Elba was on top 27-19.

Elba began its ensuing possession near midfield and went 52 yards in just two plays to extend its lead. Chrystyle Caldwell scored the touchdown on a 41-yard run through the Purple Cat defense, and Wisecup again added the extra-point as the Tigers lead went to 34-19 with 2:09 still left in the third quarter.

Ariton had scored on its initial two possessions of the third quarter and promptly made it three for three as the Purple Cats took the ensuing kickoff and went 69 yards in eight plays to again cut into the Elba advantage. Ian Senn connected on two passes for 32 yards to lead the Purple Cats down the field, and it was Senn that capped the drive on the ground when he scampered in from 10 yards out. A two-point pass failed to find its target, and with 8-seconds left in the wild third quarter the Tigers lead stood at 34-25.

Elba began its ensuing possession at its own 30-yardline and drove 70 yards in 11 running plays to extend its lead and ate up over seven minutes off the clock. Brayden Johnson rushed for 17 yards on three carries to help lead the Tigers down the field, while Alvin Henderson added 20 yards on four carries and capped the long scoring drive on a 4-yard touchdown run. Wisecup's extra-point try was true, and with 4:54 remaining on the clock the Tigers were on top 41-25.

Ariton refused to throw in the towel despite the mounting deficit and on its final two possessions reached a first down at the Elba 14-yardline and a fourth down at the Elba 8-yardline. However, a pass interception by Peyton McCart stopped the first



Elba Marching Tiger drum major Callie Pope directs the band during pregame festivities at 'Senior Night' last week.

threat, and an incomplete pass ended the second threat, as the Tigers held on to claim the 41-25 region win.

Alvin Henderson rushed for 145 yards and 4 touchdowns to lead the Elba offense, while Chrystyle Caldwell added 53 yards on five carries and scored one td, and Brayden Johnson completed 3 of 7 passes for 37 yards and one td. Peyton McCart

made 8 tackles and had 2 pass interceptions to spark the Tiger defense, while Chrystyle Caldwell added 6 stops and a quarterback sack and Carson Wise added 5 stops.

Ian Senn rushed for 44 yards and one touchdown on 11 carries and completed 15 of 30 passes for 273 yards and two touchdowns to lead Ariton, while Jordan Smith rushed for 96 yards on 19 carries and one td.

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37	Passing Yds.	273
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3-7-0	Passes	15-30-2
3/2	Fumbles/Lost	2/0
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7-57	Penalties-Yds.	9-75

Elba Mini Mites remain undefeated  
Pea River Youth football league completes "Week Four" action

The Elba Mini Mites remain undefeated through "Week 4" of the Pea River Youth Football League's 2021 season after defeating Opp last Saturday, Oct. 16, at Tiger Stadium in Elba.

The Mini Mite Tigers moved to 4-0 on the season with a 6-0 win over Opp in last Saturday's game. Also sitting at 4-0 in the Mini Mite division for the league is Daleville after defeating Skipperville 28-6 last Saturday. In other Mini Mite games last week, Ariton defeated Goshen 20-0, and New Brockton picked up its first win on the season in a 36-0 win over Zion Chapel.

For the Termite division the Elba team moved to 2-2 on the season in a 20-8 loss to Opp last Saturday. Daleville and Goshen are stayed undefeated with wins. Daleville shutout

Skipperville 38-0, and Goshen shutout Ariton 28-0. The New Brockton Termites also picked up their first win on the season with a 12-0 win over Zion Chapel.

For the Pee Wee teams, Elba continues to look for a win following a 32-0 loss to Opp. New Brockton moved to 3-1 on the season with a 8-0 win over Zion Chapel, Goshen shutout Ariton 12-0, and Daleville got a big win 46-0 over Skipperville.

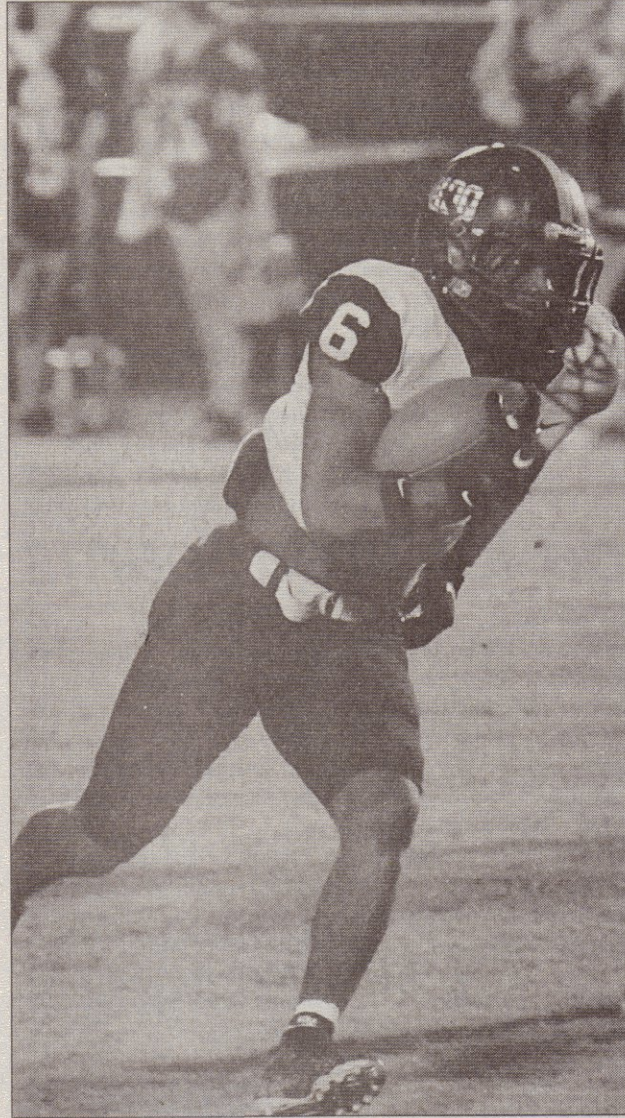
This Saturday, Oct. 23, the Elba youth teams will travel to Ariton, the New Brockton teams will host Daleville, the Zion Chapel teams will travel to Opp, and the Skipperville will host Goshen in Pea River Youth League football action. Games start at 8:30 a.m. for each location.



Elba Tiger cheerleader Zoe Sanders was all smiles Friday night as the Tigers rolled to their fifth straight win.



Elba Tiger Elijah Gomez (51) applies pressure to the Purple Cat quarterback in last week's big 41-25 region win.



Elba Tiger Alvin Henderson (6) is off and running. Henderson rushed for 145 yards and 4 touchdowns in last week's 41-25 win over Ariton.

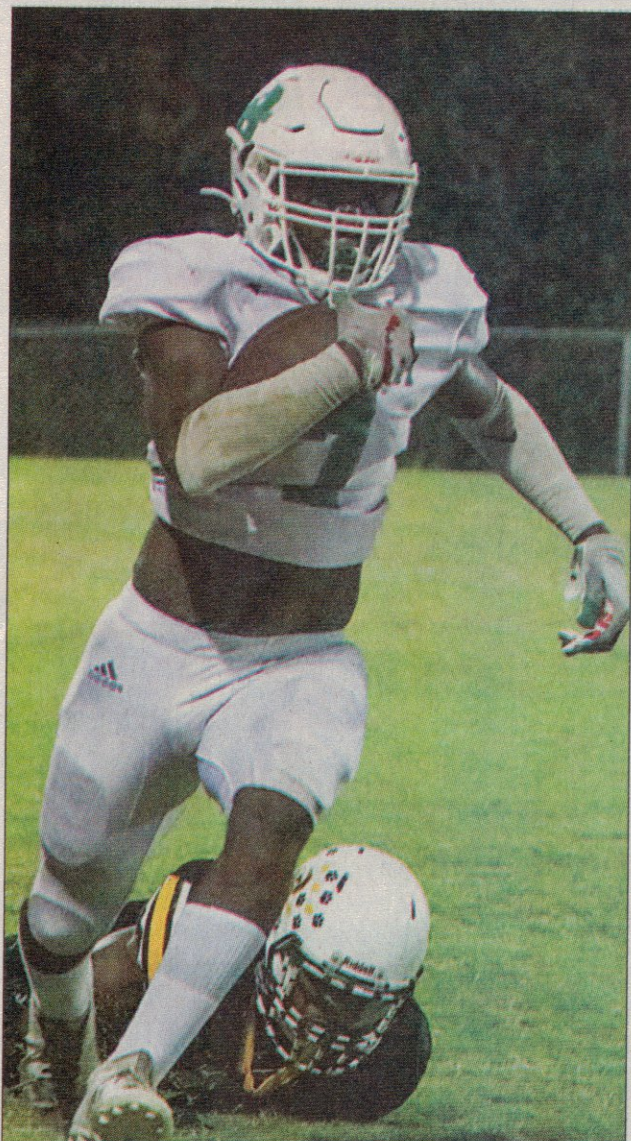
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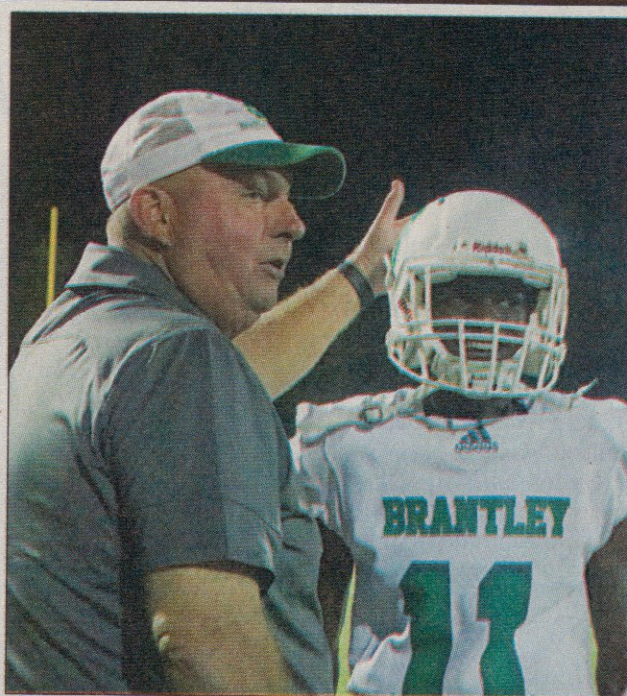
The Elba Tigers will closeout their 2021 regular season  
Thursday night, Oct. 21,  
against Houston County in  
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Kickoff is set for 7 p.m.  
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## SPORTS NEWS



Brantley Bulldog Robert Shine (7) heads upfield for a big gain. Shine rushed for 72 yards and one touchdown on three carries in last week's 46-6 region win over Red Level.



Brantley Bulldog head coach Roland Jones talks with quarterback Jayden Parks (11) during a time out in last week's 46-6 region win.



Brantley Bulldog lineman fights in the trenches in last week's 46-6 region win over Red Level that clinched the Bulldogs region title.

## Brantley rolls over Red Level 46-6

From combined reports  
Photos by Cody Nichols

The top-ranked Brantley Bulldogs continued their dominance over region opponents Friday night with an easy 46-6 win over the Red Level Tigers.

Jayden Parks completed 4 of 7 passes for 140 yards and two touchdowns and added a 10-yard rushing touchdown to spark the Bulldogs, while Khaliq Smith pulled in a

59-yard td toss and Morell Edwards pulled in a 55-yard scoring toss. Edwards also returned a punt 70 yards for a touchdown and Robert Shine rushed for 72 yards and one td on three carries.

The Bulldog defense was paced by Kedrick Brown and Janyies Tyson with 3 stops each, while Tyrek Smith was credited with 2 and one-half tackles.

Brantley will return home Friday night for a region clash with the Florala Wildcats.

## 'Brockton outscored by Eagles 34-20

Statistics by Brandon  
Speedy White  
Photos by Greg Brunson

The New Brockton Gamecocks saw their victory drought reach four games Friday night with a 34-20 homecoming loss to the Providence Christian Eagles.

New Brockton fumbled away an early scoring opportunity at the Providence Christian 15-yardline, but regained possession at its own 36-yardline after an Eagles punt as this time went 64 yards to get on the scoreboard.

A 19-yard pass from Kaden Cupp to Jackson Lawson was a key play in the long scoring drive, while Drew Cashin added a 15-yard run and the score came on a 9-yard pass from Cupp to Tre Bolland. The extra-point attempt failed, but with 11:25 remaining in the second quarter the Gamecocks owned a 6-0 lead.

Providence Christian began its ensuing possession at midfield and went 50 yards in five plays to pull even. Christian Durden rushed for 38 yards on two carries and scored the touchdown on a 19-yard run, and while the extra-point try failed, the score was tied at 6-6 with 8:28 left in the quarter.

The Gamecocks punted on their next offensive series, but got the ball right back on an Eagles punt and this time struck quickly as Kaden Cupp lofted a 70-yard touchdown pass to Karyus McNabb. Jacob Payton kicked the extra-point as New Brockton moved back on top 13-6 with 3:34 left in the quarter.

Providence Christian began its ensuing possession at its own 31-yardline and covered the 69 yards to the endzone to pull even seconds before the half. Harrison Mims rushed for 19 yards on the scoring drive and completed five passes for 40 yards, with the touchdown coming on a 22-yard pass to Christian Durden with 13-seconds remaining on the clock. Davis Bolton added the extra-point, and at intermission the two region rivals were tied at 13-13.

Providence Christian fumbled on its initial possession of the third quarter, but got the ball back on a defensive stop and went 75 yards in 15 plays to take its first lead of the night. Grant Baker rushed for 29 yards on five carries and Christian Durden added 37 yards on five carries to lead the Eagles downfield, with Durden scoring the touchdown on a 14-yard dash. Bolton tackled on the extra-point as the Eagles went on top 20-13 with 1:22 left in the third quarter.

Providence Christian lost another fumble on its next possession, but got the ball back on a Gamecocks punt and struck quickly when Harrison Mims lofted a 69-yard touchdown toss to Calvin McClintock. Bolton again added the extra-point, and with 6:46 left in the fourth quarter the Eagles lead was 27-13.

Providence Christian regained possession on a defensive stop at its own 37-yardline and put the win on ice with a 63-yard scoring march. The touchdown came on a 47-yard gallop by Christian Durden and Bolton kicked the extra-point as the Eagles stretched their lead to 34-13 with 2:07 left on the clock.

New Brockton scored late on a 46-yard touchdown toss from Kaden Cupp to Jaxon Whitworth and Jacob Payton added the extra-point, but it was too little, too late, as the Gamecocks dropped the 34-20 region decision.

Kaden Cupp completed 14 of 23 passes for 269 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Gamecock offense, while Drew Cashin rushed for 61 yards on eight carries and Jamarus Brown added 39 yards on 11 carries. Jaxon Whitworth caught three passes for 116 yards and two td's, while Matthew Smith had seven catches for 99 yards and Tre Bolland pulled in three passes for 44 yards and one td.

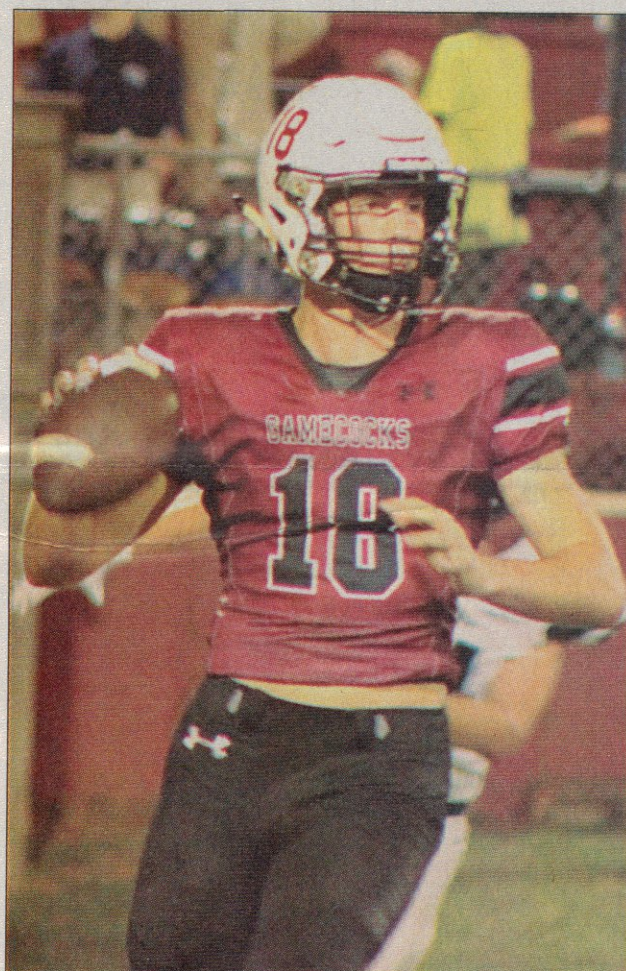
Karyus McNabb had seven tackles and a fumble recovery for the New Brockton defense, while Anthony Silar and Drew Cashin both added six stops, and Joshua Bethea had five tackles.



New Brockton Gamecock Jamracus Brown (7) drags a Providence Christian tackler for extra yardage in last week's region matchup.



New Brockton High School Homecoming Queen Aneesa Klein reigned over the day's festivities Friday and was introduced to the fans and alumni at the Gamecocks region game against Providence Christian.



New Brockton Gamecock Kaden Cupp (18) returned to action last week and passed for 269 yards and two touchdowns in a 34-20 region loss to Providence Christian.



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## SPORTS NEWS

## Clinch playoff berth

## Kinston Bulldogs rally past Eagles 33-18

Statistics by Dickie Adcock  
File photos by Linda Hodge

The Kinston Bulldogs wrapped up a berth in the 1A playoffs and tied a record for wins in a season Friday night with a big 33-13 region win over the Pleasant Home Eagles, at Bulldog Stadium.

Kinston missed out on an early scoring opportunity when it lost a fumble at the Pleasant Home 7-yardline, and the turnover pumped life into the Eagles as they promptly went 93 yards in 11 plays to grab an early lead.

A 58-yard run by David Hinson was a key play in the long scoring drive, while Mason Anderson rushed for 9 yards and passed for 15 yards, and it was Anderson that capped the drive with a 3-yard touchdown run. The extra-point attempt failed, but with 10:43 left in the second quarter the Eagles were on top 6-0.

Kinston began its ensuing possession at its own 38-yardline and the Bulldogs went 62 yards in 14 plays to wrestle the lead away from the Eagles. Konner Walker rushed for 20 yards on four carries to help lead the Bulldogs down the field, while Jeb Crosby rushed for 10 yards on five carries and scored the touchdown on a 1-yard sneak. John Free kicked the extra-point as the Bulldogs went on top 7-6 with 2:55 left in the quarter.

Pleasant Home answered the Kinston score on its ensuing possession as the Eagles went 67 yards in seven plays to regain the lead. The Eagle score came on a 21-yard Mason Anderson pass, and while the extra-point try again failed, the Eagles were back on top 12-7 with 32-seconds left in the stanza.

Kinston put the ball in play near midfield after a 23-yard kickoff return by Jason Mikel with only 25-seconds left on the clock, and the Bulldogs played a winning hand of 'beat the clock' as they went 51 yards in five plays to move back on top. A 19-yard pass completion from Jeb Crosby to Blake Senn set the Bulldogs up at the Pleasant Home 32-yardline, and on the final play of the half the same duo hooked up again as Crosby connected with Senn on a 32-yard touchdown toss. The extra-point try failed, but at the half Kinston left the field with a 13-12 lead in the key region matchup.

Kinston received the second half kickoff and marched 61 yards in seven running plays to extend its lead. Konner Walker rushed for 38 yards on five carries and capped the drive with a 5-yard scoring dash, and while the extra-point try failed, the Bulldogs lead was up to 19-12 with 8:24 left in the third quarter.

Kinston began its next offensive series at its own 5-yardline following a defensive stand and the Bulldogs again headed down the field as they went 95 yards in 16 running plays to finally take command. Konner Walker rushed for 32 yards on nine carries and Jeb Crosby added 18 yards on the ground on four carries, with Walker scoring the touchdown on a 1-yard blast. John Free kicked the extra-point as Kinston's lead grew to 26-12 with 4:16 remaining in the fourth quarter.

Pleasant Home came right back and pulled within 26-18 with 3:17 remaining on the clock on a 58-yard touchdown toss from Mason Anderson to Ethan Curry. However, Kinston recovered an on-sides kick at midfield and covered the 50 yards to the endzone in five running plays to wrap



Kinston Bulldogs lead the way for another big run in a recent win. The Bulldogs clinched a berth in the 1A playoffs last week with a 33-18 region win over Pleasant Home.

up the win.

Jeb Crosby scored the Bulldog touchdown on an 11-yard dash, and Free tacked on the extra-point as the Bulldogs put the finishing touches on the important 33-18 win.

Konner Walker rushed for 115 yards and two touchdowns on 17 carries to lead Kinston, while Blake Senn added 98 yards rushing on seven carries and caught two passes for 51 yards and one td, and Jeb Crosby rushed for 82 yards and two touchdowns on 17 carries.



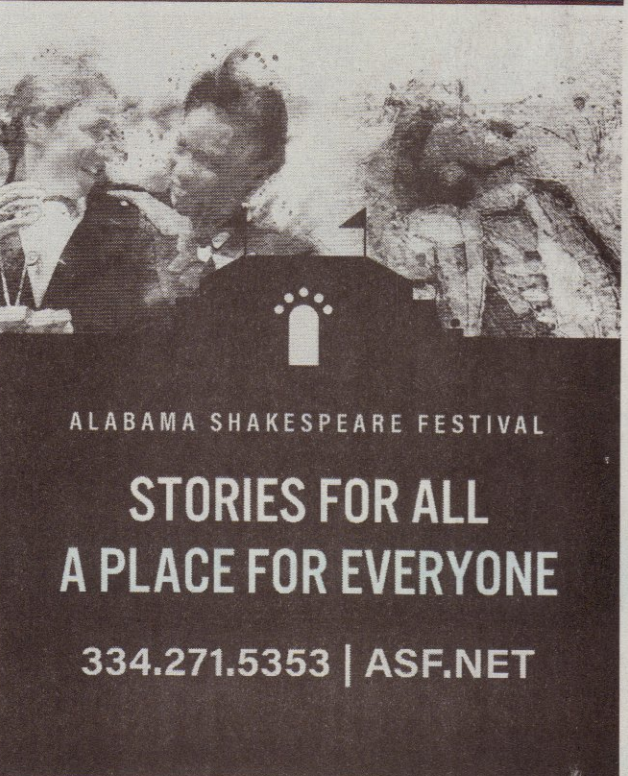
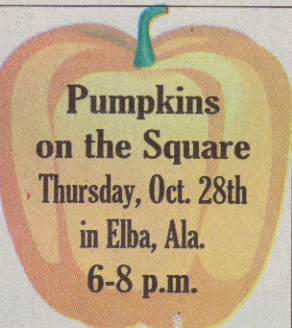
Kinston Bulldog cheerleader has had an easy time this season keeping the fans happy as the Bulldogs have claimed six wins.



The Kinston Junior High volleyball team finished the 2021 season with a 6-4 overall record. Team members included (front, l to r): Rylie Rhoades, Bella Lashley, Ansley Stanley, Kalie Davis, and Coach Tiffany Johnson; (back, l to r): Coach Suzanne Elmore, Lyla Bruce, Gracie Rhoades, Adalyn Wise, Lilli Sumblin, Brynne Kelley, Ava Camley, Taylor McKinney, and Chloe Phillips.



The Kinston Junior Varsity volleyball team finished the 2021 season with an 8-5 overall record. Team members were (front, l to r): McKinley Gibson, Cameran Whigham, Jesikah Seay, Haiden Eaton, and Tori Pettis; (back, l to r): Baylee Smith, Madison Lolley, Aubrie Brown, Caitlyn Wilson, Bailey Maddox, MaKynlea Cain, Reagan Smith, and Coach Suzanne Elmore.



Kinston High Band performs at halftime and wows crowd with talent.



Zion Chapel Rebel Mason Stuart (11) looks for a play call from the sidelines.

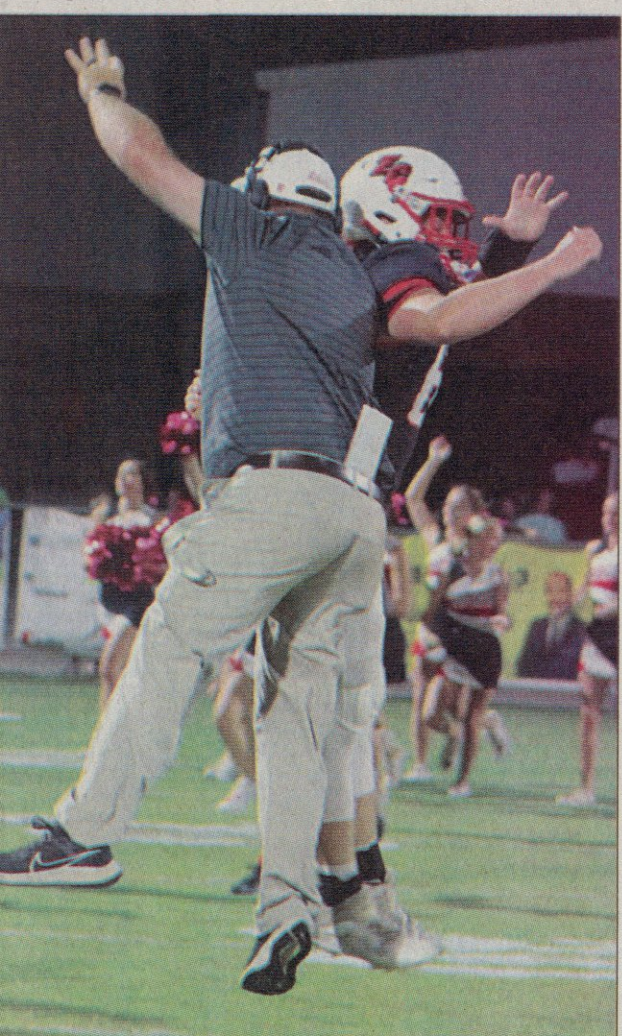
## Rebels drop region road test to Cottonwood Bears 54-28

From combined reports  
File Photos by Catrina Arnold

The Zion Chapel Rebels lit up the scoreboard on Friday night with four touchdowns, but couldn't stop Cottonwood's high-scoring Bears offensive attack as they were outscored 54-28, in a region contest at Cottonwood.

Mason Stuart had a big night for the Rebels as he rushed for a touchdown and threw touchdown passes to Jackson Adcock, Brayden Watson and Zay Adair.

Artavious Shipman rushed for 170 yards and three touchdowns on 16 carries to lead the Bears, while Kyeshun Green added 66 yards and one td on eight carries, Raymon Bryant added 65 yards and two touchdowns rushing and pulled in two passes for 67 yards, and Klete Meadows added 43 yards on four carries. Kaden Simmons completed 4 of 8 passes for 73 yards and one touchdown.



Zion Chapel Rebel and coach were ready for the game to start as they helped get the players and fans fired up.



Zion Chapel High Band performs during halftime festivities at a recent game. Zion Chapel will host Geneva County Friday night in its region finale.